RESOLUTION NO. 20141016-025

WHEREAS, the Austin Human Rights Commission (the Commission) is charged with advocating for equality for all citizens in the City of Austin; and

WHEREAS, the annual Transgender Day of Remembrance, scheduled to be observed on the Austin City Hall Plaza on November 20, 2014 and organized by the Transgender Education Network of Texas (TENT), memorializes those individuals who during the past year have lost their lives due to hate crimes against transgender people; and

WHEREAS, the Human Rights Commission was established to promote the purposes of state law that prohibit discrimination and the City Code and secure for all individuals in the City freedom from discrimination because of race, color, disability, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, or age, and TENT is also committed to these goals; and

WHEREAS, TENT has requested the Commission to sponsor the November 2014 event; and

WHEREAS, on September 22, 2014 the Human Rights Commission adopted a resolution requesting that the Austin City Council authorize the Commission to sponsor the 2014 Austin Transgender Day of Remembrance; and

WHEREAS, City Council finds a public purpose is served by the Human Rights Commission's sponsorship of the 2014 Austin Transgender Day of Remembrance; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

The Austin City Council authorizes the Austin Human Rights Commission to sponsor the 2014 Austin Transgender Day of Remembrance to be held at City Hall Plaza.

ADOPTED: October 16, 2014

ATTEST:

Jannette S. Goodall

City Clerk